REMARKS

Claims 1-16 and 73-78 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 2, 5, 75 and 77 are amended. No new matter is added. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the indication that claims 1, 10-16, 73, 74, 76 and 78 are allowed.

II. Rejection Under §112

Claims 2-9, 75 and 77 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as indefinite. The Office Action suggests amending claims 2, 5, 75 and 77 to replace the phrase "multiple-recorded" with "multiplexed." Applicants thanks the Examiner for his very helpful suggestion.

Claims 2, 5, 75 and 77 are amended in a manner consistent with the Examiner's suggestion, thereby rendering the rejection moot. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

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III. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 2-9, 75 and 77, in addition to the allowance of claims 1, 10-16, 73, 74, 76 and 78, are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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